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Gov. Beshear Announces Refunds of Nearly \$400,000 to Coal Counties

Amount based on mining, acreage fees paid by coal companies

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Aug. 6, 2014) – Governor Steve Beshear today announced that 34 fiscal courts will receive refunds totaling \$399,450 from mining permit and acreage fees. Last year, \$381,400 was refunded.

The Department for Natural Resources collects mining permit and acreage fees and returns a portion of the fees to coal-producing counties for projects that the fiscal courts deem beneficial to their communities.

“Every effort is being made by this administration to help the mining industry extract coal in a manner that is safe, efficient and protective of our environment,” said Gov. Beshear. “Our coal-producing counties are our partners and these funds provide a direct benefit for their efforts.”

Refunds range from \$25 to \$73,583. The following list includes the counties and refund amounts (rounded to the nearest dollar):

Bell County Fiscal Court	\$20,938
Boyd County Fiscal Court	\$125
Breathitt County Fiscal Court	\$32,038
Clay County Fiscal Court	\$6,675
Daviess County Fiscal Court	\$1,475
Elliott County Fiscal Court	\$1,675
Estill County Fiscal Court	\$11,050
Floyd County Fiscal Court	\$15,646
Harlan County Fiscal Court	\$20,467
Henderson County Fiscal Court	\$1,188
Hopkins County Fiscal Court	\$6,075
Jackson County Fiscal Court	\$62.50
Johnson County Fiscal Court	\$23,538
Knott County Fiscal Court	\$13,404
Knox County Fiscal Court	\$6,713

Laurel County Fiscal Court	\$650
Lawrence County Fiscal Court	\$7,313
Lee County Fiscal Court	\$850
Leslie County Fiscal Court	\$12,963
Letcher County Fiscal Court	\$10,963
Magoffin County Fiscal Court	\$25,713
Martin County Fiscal Court	\$17,133
McCreary County Fiscal Court	\$188
McLean County Fiscal Court	\$863
Morgan County Fiscal Court	\$25
Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court	\$5,575
Ohio County Fiscal Court	\$26,600
Owsley County Fiscal Court	\$479
Pike County Fiscal Court	\$73,583
Union County Fiscal Court	\$3,713
Webster County Fiscal Court	\$12,888
Whitley County Fiscal Court	\$14,425
Wolfe County Fiscal Court	\$275

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